

HARMONY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONEERS

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 9, 2026

1. Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Harmony Township Board of Commissioners was called to order at **6:04 PM**. The meeting was electronically recorded by the Township Assistant Administrator.

Executive Sessions:

Executive sessions were held on **January 14, February 2, and February 9, 2026**, to discuss employment matters.

2. Roll Call

Present:

- Ms. Barlamas, President – Present
- Mrs. Mylan, Vice President - Present
- Mr. Angus, Commissioner - Present
- Mr. Molchen, Present
- Mrs. DeBona, Present – Via Phone

A quorum was established.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Visitors

- **Fabiola Gergerich – Woodland Road**
- **Christine Whipple – Virginia Avenue**
- **Denise Campbell – Sylvan Road**
- **Richart Ferreria – Merchant Street**

5. Public Comment (Agenda Items Only)

Repository Property – 2407 Duss Avenue

A representative (Richard Ferreira) presented a private offer to purchase the abandoned property at **2407 Duss Avenue** through the Beaver County Repository process. The process is expected to take approximately **6–12 months**. The proposed plan includes rehabilitation of the building for residential rental units. The Board expressed support for redevelopment and improvement of the property. The Board signed Mr. Ferreira documents to forgive the Harmony Township Delinquent taxes.

5. Approval of Minutes

- Reorganization Meeting – January 5, 2026
- Regular Meeting – January 14, 2026

Motion: Mylan

Second: Molchen

Vote: Unanimous

6. Department and Administrative Reports

Motion to approve submitted reports:

- Interim Manager
- Code Enforcement
- Road Department
- Police Department
- Sewage Department
- Tax Collector

Motion: DeBona

Second: Angus

Vote: Unanimous

7. Bills To Be Paid: (Motion to Approve)

FUND	JANUARY
General Fund	\$ 66,878.65
2018 GO Bond Interest /Principal U.S. Bank	\$ N/A
*Health Insurance ACH	* \$ 33,981.47
Developers Escrow Fund	\$ N/A
Liquid Fuels	\$ 507.38
Sewer Fund	\$ 25,832.95
Police Pension Fund	\$ N/A
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 675,024.40
TOTAL	\$ 802,224.85

Approval of **January 2026 Accounts Payable** in the amount of **\$802,224.85**.

Motion: Molchen

Second: DeBona

Vote: Unanimous

8. Correspondence

- Closeout in progress for American Rescue Plan (SLFRF) due to reporting discrepancy.
 - Municipal building upper-level renovation contracts are expected by months end.
 - Grant 101 Workshop at CCBC scheduled for February 19, 2026.
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9. Consent Agenda

Approved by single motion:

- Resolution authorizing **2026 Tax Anticipation Note** from FNB for **\$200,000** at **4.89%**, maturity December 31, 2026.
- Partial Payment #1 to Insituform Technologies, LLC for sewer lining project: **\$59,149.92**.

Motion: Angus

Second: Mylan

Vote: Unanimous

10. New Business

Administration & Personnel

- Professional liability insurance application submitted.

Finance

- Comcast franchise fee received: **\$9,376.10**
- Paving project payment: **\$675,000**
- Insurance claim filed for Public Works vehicle accident.
- Discussion/Motion of Consent for the private offer to purchase from the Beaver County Repository of Unsold Properties, Parcel 64-009-0555.00 located at 2407 Duss Avenue. A tax Lien request of Forgiveness has been submitted to Harmony Township by 2407 Duss, LLC in the amount of \$4,299.75 was approved.

Public Works

- 2026 road priorities under review with engineering consultant.
- **Ridge Road** identified as highest priority.
- Town Hall (date TBD) to discuss roadway conditions.
- Multimodal Transportation Fund grant awarded: **\$800,000** for Valley Road Bridge.

Parks & Recreation

- America 250 Committee submitted \$10,000 grant request to Beaver County.

Public Safety

- Grant applications submitted for early alcohol intervention program.
- \$65,000 grant secured for new police cruiser.

Health & Sanitation

- 2026 United Code fee schedule received no increases.

Municipal Building Renovation (Bid Awards)

- General Contractor: \$132,669
- Mechanical: \$51,000
- Plumbing: \$34,800
- Electrical: \$52,075
- Total: \$274,924 (under budget)

11. Old Business

Code Enforcement

Appointment of United Code for six-month term ending June 30, 2026.

Motion: Molchen

Second: Angus

Vote: Unanimous

Depository

Approval of **First National Bank** as Township depository for six-month term ending June 30, 2026.

Motion: Molchen

Second: Mylan

Vote: Unanimous

12. Engineering Report

Ridge Road Landslide

- Multiple active slide areas identified.
- Grant funding of \$50,000 secured for geotechnical investigation.
- Estimated repair costs: **\$2.5–\$3 million (minimum)**; potentially higher.
- Strategy includes geotechnical studies, additional grant applications, and meetings with state and federal representatives.

Valley Road Bridge

- \$800,000 grant received.
 - Additional funding sources are being pursued.
 - Project completion window: approximately three years.
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13. Public Works Update

- Cold patching scheduled.
 - Snow and storm response operations are ongoing.
 - Increased risk of flooding due to freeze/thaw conditions.
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14. Public Comment (General)

Fabiola Gergerich:

- Community assistance for elderly residents during snow events.
- Website communication improvements.
- Concerns regarding Valley Waste billing requirements.
- Road width and winter parking issues.
- Flooding concerns.

Christine Whipple:

- Duss Avenue Corridor initiative.
 - Partnership with Beaver County Planning Commission.
 - Collaboration with graduate students from **Carnegie Mellon University**.
 - Final assessment report expected April 2026.
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15. Additional Motion

Repository Property Approval

Motion to consent to private offer to purchase from Beaver County Repository for:

- Parcel: 64-009-0555.00
- Address: 2407 Duss Avenue
- Tax lien forgiveness: **\$4,299.75**
- Purchaser: 2407 Dust LLC

Motion: Angus

Second: Mylan

Roll Call Vote: Carried

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16. Announcements

- Meeting schedule is changed to first and second Mondays of each month.
 - Next workshop meeting: **March 2, 2026**.
 - VFD Women's Auxiliary is having a soup sale on February 15th 2026.
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17. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Approved

Time: 7:12 PM
